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SETTLEMENT GEOGRAPHY

RURAL AND URBAN SETTLEMENTS

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A Settlement is a place where people live. The function of a settlement is why it was built. Different types of settlement have different types of functions. A site of a settlement is where it was built. There are also different settlement patterns which are nucleated, dispersed and linear.

SITE AND SITUATION

References and Definitions

- Site describes the point at which a settlement is located, it describes the land it is build on.
 Factors such as relief, soil, water supply and other resources were important in choosing the sites of early settlements.
- Situation describes where the settlement is located in relation to the surrounding features such as other settlements, mountains, rivers and communications (roads, etc.). It is the situation of a settlement that determines whether it will grow from a small village into a large town or city.



SITE

Site Example



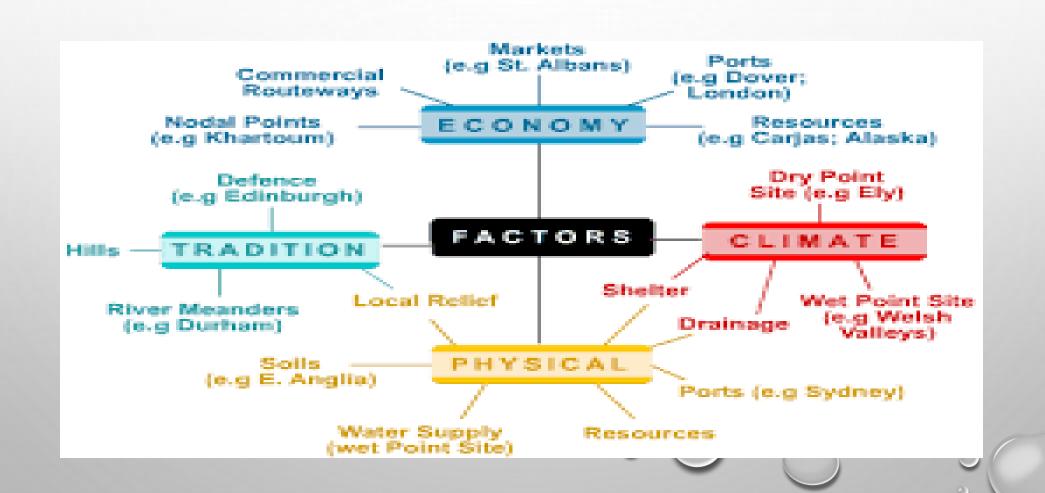
What site advantages do each of these settlement sites have?

SITUATION





FACTORS AFFECTING SITE



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